

DR. VON NOORDEN'S VISIT.

During October Dr. von. Noorden, Professor of Internal Medicine at the Imperial University of Vienna, visited California and had a rather busy time of it. On the 15th he addressed the San Francisco County Medical Society on the Modern Aspects of the Theory and Treatment of Diabetes; on the 18th he addressed the students at the University of California and on the same night was given a banquet by the County Medical Society at the Hotel St. Francis. He was also the guest of honor at many private dinners, etc.

WHAT IS MEMBERSHIP WORTH?

To the Editor of the State Journal:—I wish to write and thank the State Medical Society for the manner in which it looked after the defense of the malpractice suit brought against me, and recently tried. The defense undertaken by the Society was thorough and the whole profession should realize the necessity of having the Society back of them in these malpractice cases which any physician is liable to have brought against him in the course of his practice.

Very truly yours,

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SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS.

The Board of Directors, General Council, and members of "The California Society for the Prevention of Blindness" met together at the semi-annual luncheon of the Society on September 17, 1912, at the Hotel Stewart, San Francisco, to talk over its publicity campaign and the ways and means necessary to further the legislative action in California.

Dr. C. S. G. Nagel, president, in a cordial greeting, strongly urged those present to leave no avenue unopened that could lead to the ends desired.

Dr. Adelaide Brown followed in a strong appeal for the co-operation of the medical societies throughout the state and that the active influence of all woman's clubs should be obtained so that proper legislative action could be obtained, that California may become the fifth state to pass the laws required.

Dr. Milligan, who has recently come to California to assume the superintendency of the Deaf and Blind Institute, at Berkeley, was warmly welcomed, and he especially advocated the support and influence to be obtained from the publicity and co-operation of the daily press.

Dr. Newell Perry, so sure to know the requirements necessary, spoke feelingly of the needs of the blind and of the great necessity for establishing financial foundations to carry on any work successfully for the amelioration of the condition of the sightless.

Dean J. Wilmer Gresham, of Grace Pro-Cathedral, promised his personal aid in every way possible to further the cause.

Mr. Adolphus Graupner, a director also of the California Social Hygiene Society, gave many statistics of what has been done and what should be done on the coast and promised the co-operation and influence of the new but already well organized society to assist and strengthen all effort to secure proper legislative and medical endorsement.

The meeting was closed by Mrs. Andrew S. Rowan, giving a general resumé of what had been done to date and urging upon those present the consideration of the pressing needs of the future, that the benefits and blessings for which the prevention society stands, may be accomplished and not be an ephemeral hope but an act made into law, by the legislation of California.

NEW AND NONOFFICIAL REMEDIES.

Since publication of New and Nonofficial Remedies, 1912, and in addition to those previously reported, the following articles have been accepted by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association for inclusion with "New and Nonofficial Remedies":

Neosalvarsan is a mixture of sodium 3—diamino—4—dihydroxyl—1—arsenobenzene—methanal—sulphoxylate, $\text{NH}_2.\text{OH}.\text{C}_6\text{H}_4.\text{As}:\text{As}.\text{C}_6\text{H}_4.\text{OH}.\text{NH}(\text{CH}_2\text{O})\text{OSNa}$, with inert inorganic salts. The arsenic content of three parts of neosalvarsan is approximately equal to two parts of salvarsan. Neosalvarsan is supplied in sealed tubes containing, respectively, 0.15 gm. (2 3-10 grains), 0.3 gm. (4 6-10 grains), 0.45 gm. (6 9-10 grains), 0.60 gm. (9 3-10 grains), 0.75 gm. (11 6-10 grains), 0.9 gm. (13 9-10 grains). It is readily soluble in water forming solutions which are neutral to litmus and very unstable. The action and uses are the same as those of salvarsan. The average single dose for man is 0.75 gm. (12 grains). It may be administered by intramuscular or, preferably, by intravenous injection. For intravenous injection 25 cc. freshly distilled water for each 0.15 gm. is to be used. For intramuscular injection 3 cc. of water should be used for each 0.15 gm. neosalvarsan, this yielding an approximately isotonic solution. Victor Koechl & Co., New York, (Jour. A. M. A., Sept. 14, 1912, p. 879).

Saloquinine, the salicylic ester of quinine, is described in New and Nonofficial Remedies, 1912. The product as sold by Merck & Co., New York, has also been admitted to N. N. R. (Jour. A. M. A., Sept. 14, 1912, p. 879).

Articles accepted for N. N. R. Appendix:

Mentrol-Iodol is a mixture of iodol 99 parts and menthol 1 part. Kalle & Co., New York (Jour. A. M. A., Sept. 14, 1912, p. 879).

ERRATA.

In the October Journal Dr. Frances T. Weed was reported dead. Since publication we learn to the contrary.

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On page 381, September Journal, appeared in Dr. Nagel's discussion the words "slight" instead of high, also "tendon" in place of tension.

NEW MEMBERS.

Fenton, Lolita Blackett Day-Bew, Los Gatos.
Bly, Fred H., Red Bluff, Cal.
Brooks, C. H., Santa Ana, Cal.
Bryan, George, Fullerton.
Jackson, Paul K., San Luis Obispo.
Edwards, Carrie Hitchcock, San Diego.
Crise, Bruce L., Escondido, Cal.
Giovannetti, R. P., San Francisco.
Hirschler, D. Lee, San Francisco.
Markel, H. H., San Francisco.
Van Nuys, R. G., San Francisco.
Mitchell, Elsie Reed, Berkeley, Cal.
Strietmann, W. H., Oakland, Cal.
Campbell, E. O., Santa Barbara.
Pierce, R. E., Lindsay, Cal.

RESIGNED.

Pring, Ernest, San Francisco.

DEATHS.

Crepin, E. A., Glen Ellen, Cal. (Died in Alhambra, Cal.)
Robinson, Wm. K., Los Angeles.
Gray, A. J., San Diego.
Billings, M. C., Oceanside.
Doig, John R., Ramona, Cal.
Stone, John B., San Diego.
Kearney, J. F., 3672 20th st., San Francisco. (Died in Alaska, Sept. 13, 1912.)